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Attorney General John Ashcroft
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Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I am writing to encourage the Department of Justice to accept the Microsoft antitrust settlement. This case has been stretched out over three years; it needs to be settled. Now that there is a settlement available and the terms are fair, I think that the government needs to accept it.

All of the major issues in the suit have been dealt with. Microsoft has agreed to give computer makers the flexibility to install and promote any software that they see fit. Microsoft has also agreed to release part of the Windows intellectual property to its competitors in order for them to develop software that is more compatible as well. To settle the suit, Microsoft has agreed to a long list of concessions. This list is fair and should be accepted.

Microsoft, the industry, and the government all need to move on. Please accept the Microsoft antitrust settlement.

Sincerely

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